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Magyar, et al.	:	
Application No. 10/544,215	:	ON PETITION
Filed: July 29, 2005	:	
Attorney Docket No. 2003P00364WOUS	:	
For: DOOR HANDLE	:	

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.181, filed June 9, 2008 (certificate of mailing date June 6, 2008), requesting that the Office withdraw the holding of abandonment of the above-identified application.

The petition under 37 CFR 1.181 is **GRANTED**.

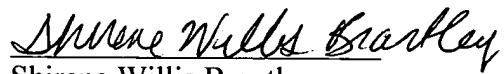
This application was held abandoned for failure to respond in a proper manner to the final Office action, mailed October 31, 2007, which set forth an extendable three (3) month period for reply. The Office contended that this application became abandoned on February 1, 2008 for failure to properly reply to the October 31, 2007 final Office action. A Notice of Abandonment was mailed on June 2, 2008.

Petitioners request withdrawal of the holding of abandonment based on the assertion that a request for a two month extension of time and a Notice of Appeal were timely filed on April 3, 2008 (certificate of mailing date March 31, 2008). The undersigned finds this argument completely convincing, as these documents are present in the application file and Office financial records show that the required two month extension of time fee and the required Notice of Appeal fee were charged on accounting date April 3, 2008. The certificate of mailing date for the documents at issue, and the corresponding payments submitted, was March 31, 2008. Therefore, the two month extension of time and the Notice of Appeal were timely filed.

The petition under 37 CFR 1.181 is **granted**, the holding of abandonment is withdrawn, and the June 2, 2008 Notice of Abandonment is **vacated**. No petition fee has been or will be charged in connection with this matter.

The application file will be forwarded to Technology Center A.U. 3677 for consideration of the Appeal Brief and amendment, filed on June 30, 2008 (certificate of mailing date June 26, 2008).

Telephone inquiries pertaining to this matter may be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3230.



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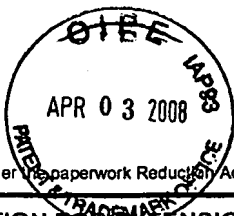
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